Docket No.: BGI-154B

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: R. Rogers Yocum et al.

Application No.: 10/614333 Confirmation No.: 5952

Filed: July 3, 2003 Art Unit: 1652

For: MICROORGANISMS AND PROCESSES FOR

ENCHANCED PRODUCTION OF

PANTOTHENATE

Examiner: Fronda, C. L.

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 9, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

Response to Restriction Requirement begins on page 8 of this paper.